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REQUEST FOR REFUND

Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, Applicant requests a refund of \$110.00 for an extension fee which was charged to Deposit Account 06-1205. It is requested that a refund be applied as a credit to that Deposit Account 06-1205.

On March 18, 2003, Applicants filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), copy attached. On the RCE Transmittal Applicants petitioned the Examiner to extend the time for response for the Final Office Action dated November 18, 2002, one month from February 18, 2003, up to and including March 18, 2003 and submitted a check for \$110.00. Also enclosed is a copy of the postcard acknowledging receipt of the check by the Patent and Trademark Office. No further fee was due at that time.

Applicants' attorney received a Monthly Statement of Deposit Account, dated March 31, 2003, copy attached, indicating that Deposit Account No. 06-1205 was charged \$110.00. It is respectfully submitted that the \$110.00 charge was made in error.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby request and authorizes the Commissioner to credit Deposit Account No. 06-1205 in the amount of \$110.00 in order to resolve this matter.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

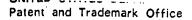
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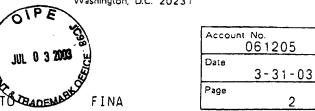




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